

# **ELECTION TIMELINE \*\*\* Rev. 9/24/09**

October, 2009 – Council Meeting to consider an ordinance and ballot language calling a March 9, 2010 Special Election for the purpose of referring Charter amendment(s) to the voters.

Monday, November 9, 2009 – Notify County that a Special Election has been called.

\*\*\*Wednesday, November 18, 2009 – Publish notice regarding deadline for submitting ballot arguments.

Tuesday, November 24, 2009 – Final ballot language due to the County.

Wednesday, December 9, 2009 – Deadline for submitting arguments for inclusion in the publicity pamphlet.

Thursday, February 4, 2010 (approximately) – Publicity pamphlets mailed to every registered voter household.

Thursday, February 11, 2010 – Early ballots mailed.

Tuesday, March 9, 2010 – Election Day (charter amendment election).

Monday, March 15, 2010 – Submit approved Charter amendments to the Governor's Office and to the Department of Justice (expedited request).

Tuesday, May 11, 2010 – Final ballot language due to County for Scottsdale's first (general) election. At this point, we need to tell County whether Scottsdale will be having a general/runoff or a primary/general.

Wednesday, May 26, 2010 – Deadline for filing candidate papers and submitting preclearance letter to Department of Justice for Scottsdale's first election (90 days prior to election).

\*\*\*Sunday, July 25, 2010 – Publish Call of Election.

\*\*\*Thursday, July 29, 2010 – Early ballots are mailed (As of July 20, 2009: 61,924 Scottsdale voters on the County's Permanent Early Voting List).

Tuesday, August 24, 2010 – Election Day (Scottsdale's first election).